



# Be Wise

## don't over-fertilize

When it rains, fertilizer from your yard can wash into nearby storm drains and streams that empty into the Chesapeake Bay. If you fertilize your lawn, follow Maryland's new fertilizer law:

- Read and follow all label instructions
- Do not fertilize if heavy rain is expected
- Keep fertilizer away from streams, sidewalks and driveways
- Don't fertilize between November 15 and March 1
- Hire only certified professionals to fertilize lawns

*To learn more:* [www.mda.maryland.gov/fertilizer](http://www.mda.maryland.gov/fertilizer)



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